

## Message Text

PAGE 01 STATE 155237

21

ORIGIN NEA-03

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /004 R

66607

DRAFTED BY: NEA/PAB:MGJONES

APPROVED BY: NEA/PAB:PDCONSTABLE

----- 017091

R 011922Z JUL 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

UNCLAS STATE 155237

FOL REPEAT OF ROME 9333 TO SECSTATE INFO USUN CAIRO JUN 28

QTE:

UNCLAS ROME 9333

FOR UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: UNWFC

SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL - JUNE 23 - 27

REF.: ROME 6329

1. AFTER MORE THAN TWO-HOUR DISCUSSION FRIDAY EVENING, CHAIRMAN REPORTED TO WEO THAT MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MAREI WAS ATTENDED BY NUMEROUS DELEGATIONS IN ADDITION TO CHAIRMAN OF REGIONAL GROUPS. DISCUSSION REPORTED AS CONFUSED AND EMOTIONAL. MAREI PLEADED THAT DELEGATES NOT ALLOW MEETING MEETING TO END IN DISORDER. MEXICO AND SENEGAL IN PARTICULAR WERE CRITICAL OF SECRETARIAT, WHICH THEY FEEL THEY CANNOT CONTROL. MEETING ADJOURNED WITH NO REAL DECISION REACHED AND G-77 BEGAN PRIVATE CAUCUS.

2. COUNCIL RESUMED DISCUSSION AT 10:30 P.M. PAKISTAN CHAIRMAN OF GROUP-77 ORALLY INTRODUCED DECLARATION OF THE GROUP OF 77 WITH FOUR OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS AS FOLLOWS:  
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 STATE 155237

1. TO MAINTAIN THE ELECTED OFFICERS OR BUREAU IN THE COURSE OF THE FIRST SESSION (23-27 JUNE 1975).

2. TO NOMINATE AN ADEQUATE SECRETARIAT WITH A BALANCED REGIO-

NAL DISTRIBUTION ANSWERABLE TO THE WFC.

3. TO MAINTAIN THE COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE DRAFTING OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COUNCIL PROVIDING IT WITH NECESSARY FACILITIES FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS WORK.

4. TO CHARGE THE PRESIDENT, ON WHOM THE GROUP REAFFIRMS ITS CONFIDENCE, WITH THE TASK OF CONVENING WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD A NEW SESSION OF THE COUNCIL AND TO ENSURE THAT THIS SESSION RESULTS IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AFOREMENTIONED OBJECTIVES.

3. CHAOS ENSUED. VARIOUS WEO'S SOUGHT CLARIFY INTENT OF GROUP OF 77. CHAIRMAN OF G-77 SAID IT WAS EXPRESSION OF VIEW OF G-77. IT WAS NOT NEGOTIABLE BUT WOULD NOT NEED TO BE ADOPTED BY COUNCIL, ALTHOUGH IT SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. MEXICAN DELEGATE SUPPORTED PAKISTAN POSITION THAT DECLARATION SHOULD APPEAR IN RECORD UNCHANGED BUT IF COUNCIL WISHED IT COULD SUPPORT THOSE POINTS ON WHICH THERE WAS CONSENSUS.

4. SENEGAL OBSERVER AS CHAIRMAN OF AFRICAN GROUP MADE VITUPERATIVE ATTACK ON PAKISTAN DELEGATE AND ACCUSED HIM OF BETRAYING GROUP OF 77 BECAUSE PROPOSED HANDLING MEANT THAT LDC MAJORITY COULD NOT RAILROAD DECLARATION THROUGH THE COUNCIL. MEXICAN AND PAKISTAN DELEGATES STOOD THEIR GROUND AND CHAIRMAN STATED DECLARATION WOULD BE PLACED IN REPORT AS STATEMENT OF GROUP OF 77 AND COUNCIL WOULD PROCEED WITH ADOPTION OF REPORT.

5. DELEGATES FROM GABON, GUINEA, SENEGAL, ALGERIA AND LIBYA PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT IN THE VARIOUS EXCHANGES WHICH EGYPT TRIED TO MODERATE.

6. MEXICAN DELEGATE AS CHAIRMAN OF WORKING GROUP ON PROCEDURES READ REPORT PREVIOUSLY CLEARED BY GROUP. THIS REPORT PROVIDED FOR COUNCIL AGREEMENT COVERING SUBSTANCE IN ACCEPTABLE FASHION OF PARAS 1 AND 3 OF DECLARATION U.S. NOTED REPORT AS PRESENTED UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 STATE 155237

DID NOT COMPORT WITH AGREED VERSION. U.S. DID NOT PRESS POINT ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL.

7. DRAFT REPORT ON ITEM 5 OF AGENDA -- REVIEW OF WORLD FOOD SITUATION -- REFLECTED CONSIDERABLE EFFORT BY RAPporteur BE OBJECTIVE. HOWEVER, MANY MINOR CHANGES MADE BY WEO DELEGATES TO DIMINISH THE EFFECT OF POSITIONS TAKEN BY LDC'S.

8. DRAFT REPORT ON ITEM 6 OF AGENDA -- PROGRAM OF ACTION OF THE COUNCIL -- WAS OPENED FOR DISCUSSION AT 1:30 A.M. JUNE 28 WITH INTERPRETERS READY TO WALK OUT. CHAIRMAN TRIED RUSH ADOPTION OF REPORT, BUT USSR DELEGATE EXPRESSED DOUBTS ABOUT COMPETENCE OF WFC TO DETERMINE ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE AND PROPOSED WORKING GROUP BE ESTABLISHED LOOK AT THIS OVER COMING MONTHS. THIS

SUPPORTED BY GABON, GUINEA, HUNGARY AND CUBA BUT OPPOTION  
BY WEO'S. CANADIAN COMPROMISE PROPOSAL THAT WORK PROGRAM BE  
REVIEWED BY COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT SESSION AGREED BY USSR AND  
ENABLED COUNCIL ADOPT REPORT WITH INIMUM OF MODIFICATION.  
WORK PROGRAM ESSENTIALLY DREW ON UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON'S  
STATEMENT AT OPENING FRIDAY SESSION.

9. WALKOUT OF INTERPRETERS AT 1:40 P.M. BROUGH FURTHER CHAOS  
AND PROTEST BY FRENCH-SPEAKING DELEGATES FROM AFRICA.  
MAREI RECRUITED WFC AND FAO STAFF TO GIVE CONSECUTIVE TRANSLATION  
IN FRENCH AND SPANISH. THIS TEDIOS PROCEDURE BROUGHT BACK  
MOST AFRICANS SO THAT CHAIR WAS ABLE TO POINT OUT THAT PARAS  
1 AND 3 OF G-77 DECLARATION COVERED BY REPORT. FURTHER HE  
URGED COUNCIL AGREE TO HOLD SPECIAL SESSION AS PROPOSED IN PARA  
4 OF G-77 DECLARATION. THIS AGREED BY HOT, TIRED AND HUNGRY  
MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

10. FINAL ACTION BY CHARIRMAN WAS PROPOSAL THAT PARA 2 OF  
DECLARATION SHOULD BE REFERRED TO WORKING GROUP ON PROCEDURES  
FOR STUDY OF LEGAL PROBLEM. (THIS SOLUTION CHOSEN BECAUSE  
WEO'S HAD POINTED OUT (AND LEGAL COUNSEL VERIFIED) THAT  
PROPOSAL WAS ILLEGAL. THIS ACCEPTED BY COUNCIL.

11. COUNCIL'S FIRST SESSION CLOSED AT 2:05 A.M.VOLPE  
UNQTE INGERSOLL

UNCLASSIFIED

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 26 AUG 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 01 JUL 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975STATE155237  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** NEA/PAB:MGJONES  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** D750228-0770  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t197507103/baaaaocz.tel  
**Line Count:** 136  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ORIGIN NEA  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** MartinML  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 21 MAR 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <21 MAR 2003 by ThomasVJ>; APPROVED <03 MAR 2004 by MartinML>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** <DBA CORRECTED> mcm 971010  
**Subject:** n/a  
**TAGS:** ABUD, US, AORG, UNWFC  
**To:** ISLAMABAD  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006